

Staff Sgt. Brian Tucker, 8th Services Squadron, swings at a pitch at the all-star playoffs July 18, while Staff Sgt. Steve Trekas, 8th Operations Support Squadron, is ready to catch any misses. The National League won the game 10-4. Staff Sgt. Dan Miller, 8th Maintenance Squadron, won the Most Valuable Player award, going five for five and hitting for the cycle in the game.



Photo by Senior Airman Lanie McNeal, 8th CS/VI

Wolf Pack warrior places third in raquetball competition

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While most people spend their mid-tour relaxing with family, one Wolf Pack member spent two weeks competing with them.

Capt. Tom Fuhrmann, 8th Operations Support Squadron, his brother Capt. Mark Fuhrmann, stationed at McChord Air Force Base, Wash., and their father, retired Air Force Col. John Fuhrmann, are all competitive racquetball players.

All three were competitors at this year's U.S. Racquetball Nationals in Houston.

In May, Fuhrmann traveled to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he competed in the Inter-Service Champion Racquetball Competition. The ICRC pits the best armed services racquetball players from around the world against each other in a weeklong round-robin tournament. Fuhrmann lost in the semi-finals 15-10, 15-10, to six-time ICRC winner Army Master Sgt. Jimmy Lowe and captured the third place spot. Lowe lost in the finals to Senior Airman

Robert DeJesus from Arizona 15-10, 15-7.

"I've come in third place at this tournament for the past three years behind the same two guys," said Fuhrmann, who began playing the sport in high school. "But I'll forgive DeJesus since we won the U.S. National Doubles championship together last year in Baltimore."

After the Inter-Service Championships, Fuhrmann went to Houston where he met up with his brother and father for the U.S. Racquetball Nationals. Although in different divisions, all three competed in the superbowl of the U.S. Racquetball Association.

Fuhrmann's father made it to the quarterfinals in the 55-60 age division and his brother lost in the semi-finals in the Open division consolation round.

"The hardest part about competing at the national level for me this year was being in Kunsan for the last seven months. I haven't been able to play national caliber players, and I was worried I'd be too out-of-shape and a step slow," he said. "These guys hit the ball 180 mph."

Out-of-shape or not, Fuhrmann tied for third place overall in the 25-30 age group division. He lost in the semi-final match 15-14, 9-15, 11-9 to Brian Fredenberg from Dallas. Fredenberg went on to win his fourth national title. Fuhrmann is currently ranked fourth in the nation.

Fuhrmann is scheduled to conduct a free racquetball clinic at Kunsan on Aug. 12. For more information, call 782-5560.

Kunsan softball schedule American League

Tonight
8 p.m.
80th FS vs. CES (A)
9 p.m.
80th FS vs. 35th FS

There will be no games next week due to the base exercise.

Softball Standings

Current as of July 19th

American League

AMMO	11-2
TRANS	9-2
CES (A)	7-3
80th FS	7-4
SFS	7-5
SUPS (A)	5-6
COMM (A)	4-6
35th FS	3-6
MSS	1-9
CPTF	0-11

National League

QA	10-4
MXS (D)	9-4
AGE	9-4
CES (B)	9-4
F-ARMY	7-3
SFS (K-9)	7-7
MDG	5-5
OSS	5-7
SVS	5-7
Comm (B)	2-7
SUPS (B)	0-10



Photos by Tech.Sgt. Paul Watson, 8th CS/VI

Misidentified

In the July 13 issue of the *Wolf Pack Warrior*, the Pantons, with the 35th Fighter Squadron, in the above photo were incorrectly named as part of the 80th Fighter Squadron. The correct cutline should read:The winning team, Pantons-1, (left to right) Lt. Col. "Mo" Mike Beale, 35th FS commander, Lt. Col. Mark 'PIC' Picton, Capt. "Mean" Gene Cassingham and Capt. Jason 'Nails' Plourde, 35th FS, receives their trophy from (second to the right) Col. Burt Field, 8th Fighter Wing commander, after winning the crud tournament.